

## "LONG BEFORE HE KNEWED."

James Whitcomb Riley.

Jes' a little bit o' feller—I remember still—  
Ust to almost cry fer Christmas, like a youngster will.  
Fourth o' July's nothin' to it; New Year's ain't a smell;  
Easter Sunday, circus day—jes' all dead in the shell!

Lordy, though, at night, you know, to set around and hear  
The old folks work the story of about the sledge and deer  
And Santy shootin' round the roof all wrapped in fur and fuz—  
Long afore I knowed who Santy Claus wuz.

Ust to wait and sit up late a week or two ahead.  
Couldn't hardly keep awake ner wouldn't go to bed.  
Kittle stewn' on the fire, and mother sittin' near  
Darnin' socks and rockin' in the skreeky rockin' cheer.

Pap gap and wonder where it wuz the money went  
And quar'l with his frosted heels and spill his liniment,  
And we a-dreamin' sleighbells when the clock u'd whir and buzz—  
Long afore I knowed who Santy Claus wuz.

Size the fireplace and figger how old Santy could  
Manage to come down the chimbley, like they said he would.  
Wish that I could hide and see him—wondered what he'd say  
Ef he ketch'd a feller layin' fer him that a-way.

But I bet on him and like him same as ef he had  
Turned to pat me on the back and say: "Look a-here, my lad—  
Here's my pack; jes' he's yourself like all good boys does"—  
Long afore I knowed who Santy Claus wuz.

Wish that yarn wuz true about him, as it 'peared to be.  
Truth made out o' lies like that un's good enough fer me.  
Wish I still wuz so confidin' I could jes' go wild  
Over hangin' up my stockin's like the little child

Climbin' in my lap tonight and beggin' me to tell  
'Bout them reindeers and old Santy that she loves so well.  
I'm half sorry for this little girl's sweetheart of his—  
Long afore she knows who Santy Claus is.

## TELLS OF WRECKED SCHOONER.

Twelve Men and the Captain's Wife  
Lose their Lives.

(News and Courier, 16th.)

The five-masted schooner Governor Ames, bound from Brunswick, Ga., to New York, with a large cargo of railroad cross-ties, grounded and went to pieces off Wimble Shoals, twenty-five miles north of Cape Hatteras, Monday afternoon at about 6 o'clock.

The captain, the crew, consisting of twelve men, and the wife of the captain, were all killed or drowned, with one single exception.

This is the story told by the sole survivor, a Nova Scotian, by the name of Josiah Spearing, a seaman on the vessel. He was picked up from a mass of floating ties by the steamship Shawmut, coming to this port from Philadelphia, and was brought here last night.

Capt. A. Svenson, of the Shawmut, on Tuesday morning about 7 o'clock, discovered a figure signalling on a mass of wreckage. The Shawmut was about two miles from the scene, but immediately hastened to where the wreckage lay. The sea was too rough to lower a boat, but a ladder was thrown over the side of the vessel and Spearing climbed aboard.

Spearing was suffering from the cold, the shock, and particularly from severe bruises inflicted by the floating wreckage, which beat upon him on account of the heavy sea dashing to and fro. His legs and arms bear blue and black marks, and he is unable to walk. His mind, however, is clear and he is able to give a full account of the calamity.

Although having passed through a terrible experience, Spearing appeared calm last night when seen by a reporter for the News and Courier in his berth on board the Shawmut, and gave a clear and connected story of the affair. He said that he had never gone through anything like that before.

It was stated by one of the crew of the Shawmut that the Governor Ames was the first five-masted schooner built on the Atlantic side. She was considered a very handsome vessel.

There's nothing so good for a sore throat as Dr. Thomas's Electric Oil. Cures it in a few hours. Relieves any pain in any part.

## Killed a White Partridge.

What is believed to be the only white partridge ever seen in South Carolina, was killed in the Montmorenci section of Aiken county recently by Louie Mills. The peculiar bird was killed from a covey of some twenty ordinary partridges. It had but one feather that at all resembled partridge feathers. This was on one wing. Otherwise, excepting two or three black feathers, it was snow white. The white partridge had been seen several times by hunters around Montmorenci, but none could get a shot at it until Mr. Mills saw the white one in the large covey, and, chancing to have his gun, killed the bird.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

## THE BIG UNION COLLEGE.

Atlanta Will Make a Hard Fight to  
Have It Located in or Near City.

(Atlanta Constitution.)

As soon as Charles S. Barrett, national president of the Farmers' Union, appears before the committee on agriculture of the Chamber of Commerce, it is likely he will be tendered the influence of that organization in the Farmers' Union project of a great national agricultural college.

This was assured when Walter Cooper, secretary of the chamber, stated that as soon as Mr. Barrett reached Atlanta he would be invited to outline his plans to the committee, whereupon it was very probable the Chamber of Commerce would take an active interest in promoting the development of this institution.

The announcement may mean that Atlanta is to have another million-dollar agricultural college. It is known that other cities are already bidding for the Farmers' Union institution, but it is characteristic of the "Atlanta spirit" to win over all obstacles.

It is known on executive authority that Mr. Barrett is greatly interested in the plans of the chamber in this respect, and that he may be expected to make strong representations to the committee.

In discussing the matter last week before leaving Atlanta he declared that it was not only to the commercial, but the moral interest of Atlanta to promote a movement of this nature, even to the extent of locating it in this vicinity.

"Our problem is increasing the agricultural wealth of Georgia," he said, "and anything that works toward that end means wealth for Atlanta."

"We expect, too, to have boys matriculating at this college from every State in the country. What this means in advertising for the city in which the college is located, need not be elaborated. Our college will be the first in America to devote its exclusive attention to demonstrative farming. The community that obtains credit for being the pioneer in this respect will win immediate and growing prestige throughout America."

## Tutt's Pills

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DRINKING TOO MUCH, they will promptly relieve the nausea.

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Convicted of Murder in Florida.

Aiken, Dec. 19.—A telegram has been received in this city announcing that Ed. Semmes, the negro who was a co-partner in the foul murder of Martin Reed, of this county, at Mulberry, Fla., was convicted of murder in the first degree, and that he will be executed at an early date.

Mr. Reed had been in Florida a short time as the foreman of a gang of construction hands. Two of the negroes under him became enraged because of his refusal to do them some favor, and they plotted to take his life. He was waylaid on his way home, and while another negro held him, Semmes cut him to death with a knife. The other negro was lynched by a posse of Mulberry people. Semmes was arrested in Charleston some weeks ago. Semmes was prosecuted by Solicitor J. F. Byrnes, of this city.

After exposure, and when you feel a cold coming on, take Foley's Honey and Tar, the great throat and lung remedy. It stops the cough, relieves the congestion, and expels the cold from your system. Is mildly laxative.

J. W. Bell.

## COOK HASN'T FOUND IT YET.

Not the North Pole, but that Good Road He's Seeking.

Madison, Dec. 13.—Editor Courier: If you can find any of our public road officials, please say to them that there is a very bad place in the River road, just north of G. J. Ramsay's residence, on Tugaloo river. This place has been impassable for some time, and the only way that the people have to get around it is about as crooked as a ram's horn and as rough as Mount McKinley, which Peary said Dr. Cook didn't climb. I don't know whether you can find any of the road officials or not. We have not seen any of them since the campaign meeting at this place. There were great gobs of them here on that day, and they seemed to have some very important business with us at that time. They told us a whole lot of things they were going to do, and a great many more things that the other fellow had not done that he should have done.

Somebody told us the other day that the Supervisor and Commissioners had emigrated to North Carolina. But we can't see how they could get there unless they went through the woods, though the roads may be better on that side of the county than they are down here. Another man said the last time he heard of them they were over on Little river somewhere building a fine steel bridge across a spring branch. Another man said that he supposed they were at Clemson College on their knees, begging Clemson not to flop over to Anderson county. But we don't think this is true; we don't think our friend Phillips is in the habit of getting on his knees much.

We have been told that the only excuse Clemson has for wanting to be annexed to Anderson county is that Clemson's roads are in bad condition, and that Anderson has promised to work them out for them. Now, if this is a reasonable excuse, our whole county had better flop over. We have nothing but bad roads. If it's bad roads Anderson wants we can certainly supply her. Now, Anderson, we apply to thee for admission; we hope you will accept our whole county—tools, road officials, machinery and all. Please take us, Anderson—

Just as we are, without one plea, Let thy dear money build roads for me;

If it's thy will we come to thee—

O Anderson, we come, we come!

Just as we are, and waiting not, To rid our county of one dark blot;

We know your treasurer can cleanse each spot.

O Anderson, we come, we come!

In ruts and gullies we're tossed about, Travel our roads and you'll have no doubt

That our public road system has gone up the spout—

O Anderson, we come, we come!

We've been twisted and jolted till we're almost blind;

We make application; we're all of one mind;

For our road officials we have failed to find—

O Anderson, we come, we come!

It's ruts and gullies thou wilt receive;

Please welcome and pardon; our burden relieve;

Our officers have promised, but we don't believe—

O Anderson, we come, we come!

Success to The Courier. Take through the woods and come down Christmas and see us.

Yours, J. A. Cook.

## More Danville Proof.

Jacob Schrahl, 423 South street, Danville, Ill., writes: "For over 18 months I was a sufferer from kidney and bladder trouble. During the whole time was treated by several physicians and tried several different kidney pills. Seven weeks ago I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Pills and am feeling better every day and will be glad to tell anyone interested just what Foley's Kidney Pills did for me."

J. W. Bell, Walhalla.

## MISENHEIMER SPRINGS SOLD.

Hotel Will Be Improved and Many Attractions Added.

(Charlotte Observer.)

A party, consisting of Rev. R. L. Patterson, of Charlotte, Arthur Patterson, of Albemarle, Rev. J. E. Shenk and V. L. Norman, of Concord, has purchased the famous Misenheimer Springs property in Stanly county, 18 miles northeast of Concord. The property consists of a hotel and several cottages, including 130 acres of land. The spring has been famous for the past fifty years for its health-giving properties, being white sulphur, and the hotel has been the rendezvous for all pleasurable occasions for many years. The hotel will be remodeled and refurnished, and will be equipped with modern electric and plumbing facilities, and a number of new cottages will be built, a special feature of the new corporation being the cottage plan of entertainment for those desiring quiet and rest. A bowling alley, tennis court and croquet ground have been arranged for, and the hotel will be leased by Mr. Norman, who is proprietor of the St. Cloud-Normandy Hotel at Concord, the resort being run in connection with his business interests there.

The deal is the outcome of a proposition that was presented to the gentlemen only recently, and more definite plans have not yet materialized. The Misenheimer Springs property is ideally located in a healthy community, and the hotel is in the midst of a lovely pine forest. Q. E. Smith, civil engineer, will make plans for the various improvements contemplated. The new owners will do everything that can be done to make this one of the most notable health resorts of the State and of the South.

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## HUNTER'S INNOCENCE PROVEN.

Chemical Analysis of Bloodstains Revealed Nothing—Also Alibi.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 17.—A chemical analysis of bloodstains found on a bundle of clothing owned by J. C. Hunter, husband of the last of the three women victims of the Perry street murders here, to die, Tuesday, practically eliminated Hunter from suspicion of guilt as the perpetrator of the terrible crimes.

The analysis was made at the request of the police by City Bacteriologist Victor Bassett, and his declaration is that though Hunter declared the stains to be a variety of varnish, yet they are blood; however, they are not recent stains, and must be older than several days, therefore could not have been made at the time of the murder of Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Ohlander and Mrs. Gribble.

An affidavit was obtained to-day from J. M. Robertson, a fellow workman of Hunter, too, that asserts that during the time the murders must have been committed, Hunter did not leave his sight long enough to go to the Gribble home and return.

Early to-day Hunter and William Walls, who also is a prisoner and was a close friend of Mrs. Hunter, were given a refined variety of the "third degree" by the police. Neither knew Mrs. Hunter was dead.

The husband was led into a room where his wife lay in her coffin. Suddenly he was brought face to face with the dead woman. He showed much emotion, but asked to be allowed to kiss her, and did so. Walls, declaring that he would "rather have his head cut off than harm her," was allowed to fondle the dead woman's hands.

The problem the police face now is to apprehend the negro man seen at the Gribble home with an axe in his hands at about the time of the murders. Find this man, they believe, and they will solve the mystery.

**This Is Worth Remembering.**  
Whenever you have a cough or cold, just remember that Foley's Honey and Tar will cure it. Remember the name, Foley's Honey and Tar, and refuse substitutes.

J. W. Bell.

## Admits Fake in Cook Matter.

New York, Dec. 17.—B. S. Osborn, secretary of the Arctic Club, announced last night that Capt. Loose had verbally confessed that he faked the recent affidavit in which he said that he had prepared data for Dr. Frederick A. Cook.



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## SUGAR THIEVES COME TO TIME.

Arbuckles Turn Over to the Government Nearly \$700,000.

New York, Dec. 16.—Sensational developments in the sugar scandal, following thick and fast upon one another, were supplemented to-day by rumors of other important disclosures impending. One of these related to the reported finding of an indictment against a man "higher up" in the councils of the American Sugar Refining Company and the further report that the official probers into the underweighing frauds through which the government has been cheated out of millions, were about prepared to make a disclosure that would fix responsibility in still higher quarters.

## Arbuckles Paid Nearly \$700,000.

Concrete developments, following yesterday's payment by the Arbuckles of nearly \$700,000 to reimburse the United States Treasury deficits, due to false weighing, included the announcement that another of the big sugar refining companies was prepared to settle with the government as the Arbuckles had done, as soon as it had been officially informed of the amount the government claimed to be due.

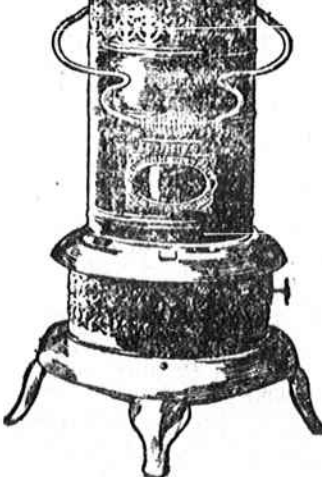
This company was the National Sugar Refining Company, next to the American Sugar Refining Company in the extent of its operations. The National's president, James H. Post, stated that the government investigators had been going over the books of the company for months and recently have informed him that the company owes the government more than \$700,000 in uncollected duties.

If you are suffering from biliousness, constipation, indigestion, chronic headache, invest one cent in a postal card, send to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, with your name and address plainly on the back, and they will forward you a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Sold by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; C. W. Wickliffe, West Union.

## Prisoner Escapes Macon Jail.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 18.—Hiding himself on top of a jail cell Wednesday until Jailer J. B. Andrews had caged all the other prisoners, after he had given the jail a thorough renovating, Charles Holmes, a young white man, held as a robber, escaped through the office to the 20-foot wall and went over to his liberty.

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## MASTER'S SALE.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF OCONEE.

(In Court of Common Pleas.)

Lee G. Holleman et al., Plaintiffs, against

Oconee Knitting Mill et al., Def'ts.

Pursuant to a decree, signed by Robert Aldrich, Presiding Judge, on the 13th day of November, 1909, in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, at public auction, in front of the Court House door, at WALHALLA, S. C., on MONDAY, the 3d day of JANUARY, 1910, within the legal hours of sale, the real estate and machinery ordered to be sold, as follows:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the county of Oconee, of the State of South Carolina, adjoining lands of Mrs. Alice S. Dendy, Mrs. Sallie N. Verner and others, containing twenty-six acres, more or less, and being the same tract of land conveyed to Oconee Knitting Mill by S. P. Dendy by deed bearing date the 19th day of May, 1904, recorded in the Clerk's office, Oconee county, on the 2d day of August, 1904, in deed Book "BB," page 328, and on which is located the mill building and tenement houses of the Oconee Knitting Mill.

Machinery and fixtures as follows:

- 45 Banner Knitting Machines.
- 11 George D. Mayo Machines.
- 10 Acme Knitting Machines.
- 36 Jencks Machines.
- 41 Rib Machines.
- 20 Loopers.
- 3 Dryers.
- 1 Hydraulic Hollow-plate Press.
- 1 Lever Press.
- 1 Smith-Drum Sulphur Dyeing Machine, Singeing Machine and Gas Plant, and other Machinery in Dye House and Finishing Room.

Also, Office Furniture and Fixtures, including 1 Typewriter, Filing Cabinet, etc.

TERMS OF SALE: One-third cash and the balance in one and two years, with interest from day of sale, the credit portion to be secured by bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the real estate and machinery and fixtures, with leave to the purchaser to anticipate payment of the credit portion. In case of failure of the purchaser to comply with the terms of sale within five days, said real estate and machinery shall be re-advertised and re-sold on the next or some convenient sale day thereafter, at the same place and on the same terms as above set out, at the risk of the former purchaser or purchasers.

Every person participating in the bidding at such sale must file with the undersigned Master his certified check in the sum of one thousand dollars, one hour before the legal hour of sale, and said sum shall be applied as a forfeiture in event of failure of such bidder to comply with the terms of sale, should said property, or any part thereof, be struck off to him as the highest bidder at such sale.

The up-set price of the real estate hereinabove described is the sum of (\$7,500.00) seven thousand five hundred dollars, and no bid therefor will be received for less than said sum; and the up-set price of the machinery and fixtures hereinabove described is the sum of (\$7,500.00) seven thousand five hundred dollars, and no bid therefor for less than said sum will be received.

Purchaser to pay extra for papers.

W. O. WHITE,  
Master for Oconee County, S. C.  
December 8, 1909.

## NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to D. A. SMITH, Judge of Probate for Oconee County, in the State of South Carolina, at his office at Walhalla Court House, on Friday, January 14th, 1910, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for leave to make final settlement of the Estate of Thomas H. Jones, deceased, and obtain final discharge as Executrix of said Estate.

IDA L. JONES, Executrix.  
December 8, 1909.